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Status of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

Report of the Secretary-General

1. The General Assembly, by its resolution 45/158 of 18 December 1990, adopted and opened for signature, ratification and accession the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families and called upon all Member States to consider signing and ratifying or acceding to the Convention as a matter of priority.

2. By its resolution 48/148 of 20 December 1993, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its forty-ninth session a report on the status of the Convention.

3. By its resolution 1994/17 of 25 February 1994, the Commission on Human Rights requested the Secretary-General to provide all facilities and assistance necessary for the promotion of the Convention, through the World Public Information Campaign for Human Rights and the programme of advisory services in the field of human rights; invited specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system, as well as intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to intensify their efforts with a view to disseminating information on the Convention and to promoting understanding thereof; and requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Commission at its fifty-first session a report on the status of the Convention and on the efforts made by the Secretariat to promote it.

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4. As at 31 August 1994, the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families had been ratified by Morocco, acceded to by Egypt and signed by Chile, Mexico and the Philippines.